

CITY OF DELAWARE CITY

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CITY OF DELAWARE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION July 2, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Schofield called to order the regular meeting of the Planning Commission at 7:05 p.m. The following Commission Members were present: Snow, Stewart, Dilliplane, Malinowski and Schofield. City Manager Cathcart was also in attendance.

ACTION ON THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

Commissioner Dilliplane made a motion to accept the minutes of the June 4, 2012 Planning Commission Meeting as written. Commissioner Malinowski seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all ayes, motion carried.

REVIEW OF THE SIGN & OUTDOOR ADVERTISING REGULATIONS

Commissioner Schofield said she brought the list of changes that she reported at the Mayor and Council meeting. Discussion followed regarding changing the size of the portable signs so that they wouldn't be larger than 24" wide and 36" high. City Manager Cathcart said he changed it in the ordinance draft to 864 square inches so that no particular shape would be mandated. Commissioner Dilliplane made a motion to change the size of portable signs to 864 square inches. Commissioner Malinowski seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all ayes, motion carried.

City Manager Cathcart said he changed the length of time that event banners could be used to advertise an event. The PC had previously recommended that the maximum time for a banner to be used was 30 days. Thinking of large events such as Delaware City Day, he changed the ordinance to read, "The banners are permitted for a time not to exceed 30 days prior to the scheduled event. The

period of time may be extended with the approval of the City Manager, except that, the period of time shall not exceed 45 days prior to the scheduled event." Discussion followed. It was suggested that the maximum time, with City Manager approval, would be 60 days. Commissioner Dilliplane made a motion to change the wording to read "The period of time may be extended, with the approval of the City Manager, except that, the period of time shall not exceed 60 days prior to the scheduled event." Commissioner Snow seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all ayes, motion carried.

City Manager Cathcart said that, remembering a discussion about not allowing a grandfather provision, he added Section 6 of the Ordinance which says, "There is no grandfather provision for existing signs prior to the adoption of this ordinance." Commissioner Dilliplane made a motion to accept the language on the grandfather clause. Commissioner Snow seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all ayes, motion carried.

City Manager Cathcart said he reviewed all the minutes from previous meetings and everything the PC wanted was included in the ordinance. He said he would send this to the City Solicitor, the first reading would be in July, and a public hearing and adoption would be in August.

Discussion followed regarding code enforcement and fines.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Dilliplane made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Stewart seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all ayes, meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn k. Gwynw

City Secretary



ATTENDANCE SHEET – PLEASE SIGN IN

MEETING: PC	DATE: 7/2/12
NAME:	ADDRESS: